# Instruction Sheet for Gathering the High Cost Risk Pool Student Data

## Column 1: ALL 4 SHEETS Student

This is individual student data and students needs to be identified either by name or initials or number that you would recognize.

## Column 2: Average Cost of Special Education Classrooms/Per Student:

## **Sheet I**

### YOUR DISTRICT AVERAGE COST FOR A RESOURCE TEACHER/Per

Student: The total salaries (don't forget the benefits) of ALL resource teachers in your district divided by the number of students as per your December 1 2007 child count, receiving services in a resource room. This will give you an average teacher cost per student in a resource room. ADD to the average teacher cost per student, the average costs of aides as per YOUR district salary schedule, serving students in a resource room setting. (Total number of aides X hours worked X salary per hour divided by the number of students in a resource setting in your district). The average teacher cost per student + the average aide cost per student make up YOUR DISTRICT'S average cost per student for a resource room. (Column 2 of the form)

# Sheet 2

#### YOUR DISTRICT AVERAGE COST FOR A SELF CONTAINED CLASSROOM

**TEACHER/Per Student**: The total salaries (don't forget the benefits) of ALL self contained teachers in your district divided by the number of students as per your December 1 2007 child count receiving services in a self contained classroom setting. This will give you an average teacher cost per student in a self contained classroom. **ADD** to the average teacher cost per student, the average costs of aides as per YOUR district salary schedule, serving students in a self contained classroom setting. (Total number of aides X hours worked X salary per hour divided by the number of students in self contained classroom settings in your district). **The average teacher cost per student** + the average aide cost per student make up YOUR DISTRICT'S average cost per student for a self contained classroom. (Sheet 2-Column 1 of the form)

# **Sheet 3**

### YOUR DISTRICT AVERAGE SALARY OF CLASSROOM TEACHERS IN

SPECIAL SCHOOLS/Per Student: The total salaries (don't forget the benefits) of ALL special school teachers in your district divided by the number of students as per your December 1 2007 child count receiving services in a special school. This will give you the average teacher cost per student in a special school classroom. <u>ADD</u> to the average

teacher cost per student, the average costs of aides as per YOUR district salary schedule, serving students in a special school classroom setting. (Total number of aides X hours worked X salary per hour divided by the number of students enrolled in the special schools. The average teacher cost per student + the average aide cost per student make up YOUR DISTRICT'S average cost for a special school classroom. (Sheet 3-Column 1 of the form)

## Sheet 4

### **YOUR DISTRICT AVERAGE COST FOR A PRESCHOOL SPECIAL**

EDUCATION CLASSROOM TEACHER/Per Student: The total salaries (don't forget the benefits) of ALL Pre-School teachers in your district divided by the number of students as per your December 1 2007 child count receiving services in a Preschool Special Education classroom setting. This will give you an average teacher cost per student in a Preschool Special Education classroom. ADD to the average teacher cost per student, the average costs of aides as per YOUR district salary schedule, serving students in a Preschool Special Education classroom setting. (Total number of aides X hours worked X salary per hour divided by the number of students in Preschool Special Education classroom settings in your district). The average teacher cost per student + the average aide cost per student make up YOUR DISTRICT'S average cost per student for a Preschool Special Education classroom. (Sheet 4-Column 1 of the form)

Column 3: ALL 4 SHEETS: Description of Unique Services as per Student IEP A BRIEF, BUT COMPLETE description of the UNIQUE, direct special education and related services for each child that is identified in such child's IEP.

# Extraordinary Services and Costs could include any or several of services listed below:

Special Education Aide (One on One)	Interpreters
Social Worker	APE
Textbooks (Braille)	O&M
Special Equipment	Nurse
Occupational Therapist	Counseling
Physical Therapist	Vision Specialist
Psychologists	Hearing Specialist

# Column 4: <u>ALL 4 SHEETS</u>: Extraordinary Costs of Unique Services Provided to Each Student.

- 1. This data is to be collected by Individual Student. <u>If services were not for the entire school year, prorate them accordingly. You cannot use average yearly costs in figuring those who did not receive services for the entire year.</u>
- 2. Extraordinary paraprofessional costs are calculated by determining the number of hours each paraprofessional works with the student X hourly rate as per your district

salary schedule for paraprofessionals. (<u>normal paraprofessional cost are figured in the</u> average cost per program in column 1)

- 3. Medical costs are also figured using the salary of the medical service provider and dividing by the number of students they serve.
- 4. This collection is on current students (2007-2008) that cost your district more that 3X the Average per pupil expenditure (\$16,935) for this year.
- 5. Legal fees, court costs, or other costs associated with a cause of action cannot be included.
- 6. Do not include administrative costs in your calculations.

Column 5: <u>ALL 4 SHEETS</u>: Total Cost of Unique Special Education Services. Add the average classroom costs (resource room, Self Contained, or Special School Classroom average) to the Extraordinary Costs.

Column 6: <u>ALL 4 SHEETS</u>: Subtract any Reimbursement from Medicaid Medicaid reimbursements must be subtracted from the total costs.

**Step 1**: *Identify by name students who are Medicaid eligible.* 

**Step 2**: Subtract 70% of reimbursement from total cost of students. Only 70% is subtracted because of district Medicaid match.

Column 7: <u>ALL 4 SHEETS</u>: Subtract 3 Times the average per pupil expenditure for Utah from the Total Costs. (\$16,935 for ages 6-21 and Preschool (\$11,365)

Column 8: ALL 4 SHEETS: Eligible Amount for Student Costs for Reimbursement After subtracting \$16,935, or \$11,365 if Preschool, and Medicaid from the total special education costs, you are left with an amount that would be eligible for reimbursement from the High Risk Pool.

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